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SUBJ: DPC REPORT ON 1974-78 FORCE PLANS; RELATIONSHIP TO
JACKSON-NUNN AMENDMENT

1. DURING NOVEMBER 22 DRC CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT DPC REPORT
ON NATO FORCE PLAN 1974-1978 (SEPTTEL), NETHERLANDS REP
(CARSTEN) URGED INCLUSION OF SUBPARAGRAPH IN RECOMMENDATIONS
SECTION IDENTICAL WITH SUBPARA 22(F) IN LAST YEAR'S REPORT
(DPC/D(72)24) TO EFFECT THAT PERMREPS RECOMMEND THAT
MINISTERS:

"RECALL AND AGAIN CONFIRM THE REYKJAVIK DECLARATION IN
WHICH MEMBER COUNTRIES AFFIRMED THE PROPOSITION THAT THE
OVERALL MILITARY CAPABILITY OF NATO SHOULD NOT BE REDUCED
EXCEPT AS PART OF A PATTERN OF MUTUAL FORCE REDUCTIONS
BALANCED IN SCOPE AND TIMING."

2. US REP (CLINARD) NOTED THAT BECAUSE OF RECENTLY ENACTED
JACKSON-NUNN AMENDMENT, HE COULD NOT ON HIS OWN AUTHORITY
AGREE TO INCLUSION OF ABOVE LANGUAGE IN THE REPORT. CLEAR
CONSENSUS OF DRC FAVORED INCLUSION OF THE SUBPARAGRAPH, HOWEVER,
AND IT WILL APPEAR IN TEXT BEING FORWARDED TO PERMREPS FOR
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APPROVAL AT DPC MEETING ON NOVEMBER 29. US REP RESERVED
POSITION, NOTING THAT MATTER MIGHT VERY WELL BE RAISED BY
AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD ON 29TH.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE IN TIME FOR DPC MEETING ON NOVEMBER 29, CONCERNING ACCEPTABILITY OF LANGUAGE QUOTED PARA 1, ABOVE, AND SUGGESTIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE FORMULATIONS WHICH MIGHT BE ACCEPTABLE BOTH IN FORCE PLAN REPORT AND IN MINISTERIAL COMMUNIQUE. RUMSFELD

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